

the 62nd Engineer Battalion at Fort Hood, Texas. Beginning in December, 2005, Colonel Boulé led the battalion on a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of the 4th Infantry Division.

Colonel Boulé's decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, six awards of the Meritorious Service Medal, the Ranger Tab, and the Combat Action Badge.

Mr. Speaker, it is evident from his long list of accomplishments and accolades that Colonel Boulé has dedicated his life to serving our great nation. I am honored to have worked with him to improve our nation's coastal waterways and the lives of Long Island residents. I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors and thank him again on behalf of the First Congressional District of New York.

HONORING PASTOR MICHAEL
BENTON

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 14, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals who are called to contribute to the needs of our community through leadership and service; and

Whereas, Pastor Micheal Benton has given of himself to lead Fairfield Baptist Church these past thirty-five years; and

Whereas, Pastor Micheal Benton under the guidance of God has pioneered and sustained Fairfield Baptist Church as an instrument in our community that better the spiritual, physical and mental welfare of our citizens; and

Whereas, this remarkable and tenacious man of God has shared his time and talents for the betterment of our community for the past thirty five (35) years by preaching the gospel, singing the gospel and living the gospel; and

Whereas, Pastor Micheal Benton is a spiritual warrior, a man of compassion, a man of great courage, a fearless leader and a servant to all, but most of all a visionary who has shared with not only Fairfield Baptist Church, but with DeKalb County and the world his passion to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Pastor Micheal Benton for his leadership and service for our District as he celebrates his 35th Pastoral anniversary;

Now Therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim September 23, 2012 as Pastor Micheal Benton Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, This 23rd day of September, 2012.

IN HONOR OF MR. DAVID
GREENSPAN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 14, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of David Greenspan, a member of the

Cuyahoga County Council serving the First District.

Greenspan is a native of Atlanta, Georgia and has lived in Cuyahoga County for the past three years. While living in the Atlanta suburb of Sandy Springs, David served on a committee that organized the incorporation of the new city. In Atlanta, David worked for Atlanta Olympic Broadcasting, Turner Media Consultants, and the PGA TOUR Radio Network.

David currently serves as the Chief Financial Officer for LeanStream Media, Inc. and is also the Managing Partner of Green Elk Consulting Services, LLC. His bachelor's degree in Accounting and Business Administration from Troy University, in addition to his work experience in business and finance, has made him an asset to the Cuyahoga County Council. David is also a member of the Government Relations Committee for the Beck Center for the Performing Arts and Glen's Homeowners Association, and has recently held positions on the City of Westlake's Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring David Greenspan, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the First District.

COMMEMORATING THE 400TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF BIRTH OF ANNE
BRADSTREET

HON. JOHN F. TIERNEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 14, 2012

Mr. TIERNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today and join my constituents in commemorating the 400th anniversary of the birth of Anne Bradstreet, who is considered by many to be America's first published poet.

Anne Bradstreet was born in England but is believed to have arrived in America in 1630. Her work, which includes such poems as "To My Dear and Loving Husband" and "Verses Upon the Burning of Our House," has been taught in high school and college classrooms across the country. Anne Bradstreet reportedly lived for several years in North Andover, which is located in my district. In fact, some believe that Anne Bradstreet may be buried in the Old Burying Ground in North Andover.

On the occasion of the 400th anniversary of Anne Bradstreet's birth, Karen Kline of North Andover and other members of the Friends of Anne Bradstreet Steering Committee are continuing their efforts to raise awareness about Anne Bradstreet's work and her contribution to history and the literary canon.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO COMMANDER
MARC A. HONE, AS HE PRE-
PARES TO RETIRE AFTER 21
YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE
UNITED STATES NAVY AND TO
OUR NATION

HON. NORMAN D. DICKS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 14, 2012

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Commander Marc A. Hone, as he prepares

to retire after 21 years of service to the United States Navy and to the United States of America.

I have worked with Commander Hone personally over the past 4 years—first in 2009, when he was a Defense Legislative Fellow assigned to my office, and then for 3 years as an Appropriations Liaison in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller). I would like to share with you some highlights of Marc's career.

Commander Hone graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science. After commissioning, nuclear operator and submarine training, he reported to his first ship, USS *Hammerhead* (SSN 663), where he served as Reactor Control and Fire Control Assistant. After taking the ship to inactivation at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, the Shipyard in my district in Bremerton, he transferred to USS *Atlanta* (SSN 712) as the Chemical and Radiological Control Assistant where he qualified as a Nuclear Engineer Officer. He later served at sea as Navigator and Operations Officer on USS *Olympia* (SSN 717), completing two deployments to the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf.

Marc also served with distinction in a variety of assignments ashore: as a Flag Aide to the President of the Board of Inspection and Survey; as the Staff Warfare Officer (Submarines) for the British Royal Navy's Maritime Battle Staff in Portsmouth, United Kingdom; as the Executive Officer of Submarine Learning Facility, Norfolk; and as the Deputy Director of Fleet Training at U.S. Fleet Forces Command. In 2007, he served as a Counter IED Liaison Officer in Kabul, Afghanistan—supporting our Embassy and the U.S. military headquarters located there.

After completing a Defense Legislative Fellowship, Commander Hone reported to his current assignment as a Congressional Liaison, managing a diverse portfolio containing the Submarine Warfare, Intelligence, and Navy Energy accounts. For 3 years, Marc has demonstrated exceptional leadership and foresight, engaging Members of the Appropriations Committee and the Defense Subcommittee Staff to provide information essential to resourcing the Navy for its role as the world's preeminent sea power. In an increasingly difficult budget environment, Commander Hone provided essential support in shepherding three Navy budgets through the appropriations process. Marc served the Navy and our Nation with integrity, insight and dedication. My office, the Subcommittee Staff, and I have found him to be a pleasure to work with and all respect his professionalism.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful nation, I join my colleagues today in saying thank you to Commander Marc A. Hone for his extraordinary dedication to duty and steadfast service to this country throughout his distinguished career. We wish Marc, his wife Marie, and his daughters Natasha and Katarina "Fair Winds and Following Seas" as he leaves the Naval Service.